



# Strategic Overview of the Cadet Program

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Seminar in the TRAINING LEADERS of CADETS curriculum "Strategic Perspective" Block • Lesson S3



#### Overview & objectives

Discuss how cadets perceive the Cadet Program.

Discuss the long-term outcomes CAP desires for cadets.



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### Cadets' perspectives

# What does being a cadet mean to cadets?



Wearing the uniform

Flying

Contributing to life-saving missions

Being in charge & learning to lead

Interacting with Air Force people

Making new friends

Working toward an Academy appointment or military career

Being unique by joining a group that is unlike sports teams or clubs

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Being a cadet, not a kid



#### Long-term outcomes of being a cadet

What does the Cadet Program aim to do for youth and America?

Develop leadership skills

Develop responsible citizens

Develop character

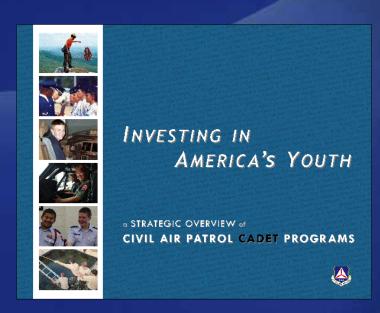
Inspire a love of aviation & space

Introduce youth to aerospace careers

Produce tomorrow's aerospace professionals

Promote fitness and healthy lifestyles

Motivate youth for academic success



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## Summary & conclusions

#### **Cadets**

Focus on the immediate benefits of the program.

Need mentors to help them see the big picture.



#### **Leaders of Cadets**

Ensure local activities fulfill CAP's long-term objectives for cadets.

Know that America is depending on our youth to succeed.

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"I am pushing myself to be a better person. I never knew how much I could accomplish until I joined CAP."

- Cadet Kristin Miller



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